



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Tracey L. Colpitts *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/549,342

Filing Date: April 13, 2000

Title: REAGENTS AND METHODS
USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES
OF THE REPRODUCTIVE TISSUES

Docket No.: 5972.US.P6

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit: 1641

Date: July 19, 2000

Certificate of Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date of Deposit: July 19, 2000

Karen R. Smith 7/19/00
Karen R. Smith Date

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement of Tracey L. Colpitts *et al.* in the above-identified patent application entitled **REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF THE REPRODUCTIVE TISSUES**.

Also enclosed are: Form PTO-1449, in duplicate
 One (1) cited reference as listed on Form PTO-1449
 Return-Receipt Postcard

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional Filing Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, as well as any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 associated with this communication for which full payment has not been tendered, to Deposit Account No. 01-0025. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Abbott Laboratories
D-377/AP6D-2
100 Abbott Park Road
Abbott Park, IL 60064-6050
Telephone: (847) 935-1729
Facsimile: (847) 938-2623

Respectfully submitted,
Tracey L. Colpitts *et al.*

Cheryl L. Becker
Cheryl L. Becker
Registration No. 35,441
Attorney for Applicant(s)



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Tracey L. Colpitts *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/549,342

Filing Date: April 13, 2000

Title: REAGENTS AND METHODS
USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES
OF THE REPRODUCTIVE TISSUES

Docket No.: 5972.US.P6

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit: 1641

Date: July 19, 2000

Certificate of Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any
paper referred to as being attached or enclosed)
is being deposited with the United States Postal
Service on the date shown below with sufficient
postage as First Class Mail in an envelope
addressed to:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date of Deposit: July 19, 2000

Karen R. Smith 7/19/00
Karen R. Smith Date

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3)

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the following information is
submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98 in connection with the above-referenced patent
application.

Enclosed is a copy of a reference known to the applicants which may be material to patentability of
the present invention, as well as Form PTO-1449 listing the same. Review is respectfully requested, and
the Examiner is asked to place his/her initials next to the reference listed on the form to indicate that the
reference was considered.

This submission is not an admission that the document cited herein are prior art as to the invention
claimed.

Because this disclosure, being made within three months of the filing date of the application or before
receipt of the first office action on the merits, is made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1) or)(3), it
is believed that no fee is due in connection herewith.

Abbott Laboratories
D-377/AP6D-2
100 Abbott Park Road
Abbott Park, IL 60064-6050
Telephone: (847) 935-1729
Facsimile: (847) 938-2623

Respectfully submitted,
Tracey L. Colpitts *et al.*

Cheryl L. Becker
Cheryl L. Becker
Registration No. 35,441
Attorney for Applicant(s)